### Binary Trees, Binary Search Trees

### Trees

- Linear access time of linked lists is prohibitive
  - Does there exist any simple data structure for which the running time of most operations (search, insert, delete) is O(log N)?

### Trees

- A tree is a collection of nodes
  - The collection can be empty
  - (recursive definition) If not empty, a tree consists of a distinguished node r (the *root*), and zero or more nonempty *subtrees* T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>2</sub>, ..., T<sub>k</sub>, each of whose roots are connected by a directed *edge*



### Some Terminologies



- Child and parent
  - Every node except the root has one parent
  - A node can have an arbitrary number of children
- Leaves
  - Nodes with no children
- Sibling
  - nodes with same parent

# Some Terminologies

- Path
- Length
  - number of edges on the path
- *Depth* of a node
  - length of the unique path from the root to that node
  - The depth of a tree is equal to the depth of the deepest leaf
- Height of a node
  - length of the longest path from that node to a leaf
  - all leaves are at height 0
  - The height of a tree is equal to the height of the root
- Ancestor and descendant
  - Proper ancestor and proper descendant

## **Binary Trees**

• A tree in which no node can have more than two children



• The depth of an "average" binary tree is considerably smaller than N, eventhough in the worst case, the depth can be as large as N – 1.



### **Example: Expression Trees**



Expression tree for (a + b \* c) + ((d \* e + f) \* g)

- Leaves are operands (constants or variables)
- The other nodes (internal nodes) contain operators
- Will not be a binary tree if some operators are not binary

### Tree traversal

- Used to print out the data in a tree in a certain order
- Pre-order traversal
  - Print the data at the root
  - Recursively print out all data in the left subtree
  - Recursively print out all data in the right subtree

### Preorder, Postorder and Inorder

- Preorder traversal
  - node, left, right
  - prefix expression
    - ++a\*bc\*+\*defg



Figure 4.14 Expression tree for (a + b \* c) + ((d \* e + f ) \* g)

### Preorder, Postorder and Inorder

- Postorder traversal
  - left, right, node
  - postfix expression
    - abc\*+de\*f+g\*+
- Inorder traversal
  - left, node, right.
  - infix expression
    - a+b\*c+d\*e+f\*g



Figure 4.14 Expression tree for (a + b \* c) + ((d \* e + f) \* g)

• Preorder

```
mark
    book
        ch1.r
        ch2.r
        ch3.r
    course
        cop3530
            fa1198
                 syl.r
            spr99
                 syl.r
            sum99
                 syl.r
    junk•
alex
    junk
bi11
    work
    course
        cop3212
             fa1198
                 grades
                 prog1.r
                 prog2.r
             fa1199
                 prog2.r
                 prog1.r
                 grades
```

/usr

• Postorder

ch1.r	3
ch2.r	2
ch3.r	4
book	10
syl.r	1
fa1198	2
syl.r	5
spr99	6
syl.r	2
sum99	3
cop3530	12
course	13
junk	6
mark	30
junk	8
alex	9
work	1
grades	3
prog1.r	4
prog2.r	1
fa1198	9
prog2.r	2
progl.r	7
grades	9
fa1199	19
cop3212	29
course	30
bill	32
/usr	72

## Preorder, Postorder and Inorder

**Algorithm** Preorder(x)

Input: x is the root of a subtree.

1. if  $x \neq$  NULL

- 2. **then** output key(x);
- Preorder(left(x));
- 4. Preorder(right(x));

Algorithm Postorder(x)

**Input:** x is the root of a subtree.

- 1. if  $x \neq \text{NULL}$
- then Postorder(left(x));
- Postorder(right(x));
- output key(x);

Algorithm Inorder(x)

**Input:** x is the root of a subtree.

- 1. if  $x \neq$  NULL
- then Inorder(left(x));
- 3. output key(x);
- Inorder(right(x));

# **Binary Trees**

- Possible operations on the Binary Tree ADT
  - parent
  - left\_child, right\_child
  - sibling
  - root, etc
- Implementation
  - Because a binary tree has at most two children, we can keep direct pointers to them

```
struct BinaryNode
{
    Object element; // The data in the node
    BinaryNode *left; // Left child
    BinaryNode *right; // Right child
};
```

#### compare: Implementation of a general tree







Figure 4.4 First child/next sibling representation of the tree shown in Figure 4.2

# **Binary Search Trees**

• Stores keys in the nodes in a way so that searching, insertion and deletion can be done efficiently.

### Binary search tree property

 For every node X, all the keys in its left subtree are smaller than the key value in X, and all the keys in its right subtree are larger than the key value in X



### **Binary Search Trees**





A binary search tree

#### Not a binary search tree

### Binary search trees

Two binary search trees representing the same set:



 Average depth of a node is O(log N); maximum depth of a node is O(N)

### Implementation

```
template <class Comparable>
class BinarySearchTree;
template <class Comparable>
class BinaryNode
{
   Comparable element;
    BinaryNode *left;
    BinaryNode *right;
    BinaryNode( const Comparable & theElement, BinaryNode *lt,
                                                BinaryNode *rt )
      : element( theElement ), left( lt ), right( rt ) { }
    friend class BinarySearchTree<Comparable>;
};
```

Figure 4.16 The BinaryNode class

# Searching BST

- If we are searching for 15, then we are done.
- If we are searching for a key < 15, then we should search in the left subtree.
- If we are searching for a key > 15, then we should search in the right subtree.



Example: Search for 9 ...



Search for 9:

- 1. compare 9:15(the root), go to left subtree;
- 2. compare 9:6, go to right subtree;
- compare 9:7, go to right subtree;
- compare 9:13, go to left subtree;
- 5. compare 9:9, found it!

# Searching (Find)

• Find X: return a pointer to the node that has key X, or NULL if there is no such node

```
template <class Comparable>
BinaryNode<Comparable> *
BinarySearchTree<Comparable>::
find( const Comparable & x, BinaryNode<Comparable> *t ) const
{
    if( t == NULL )
        return NULL;
    else if( x < t->element )
        return find( x, t->left );
    else if( t->element < x )
        return find( x, t->right );
    else
        return t; // Match
}
```

- Time complexity
  - O(height of the tree)

### Inorder traversal of BST

• Print out all the keys in sorted order



Inorder: 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 13, 15, 17, 18, 20

# findMin/ findMax

- Return the node containing the smallest element in the tree
- Start at the root and go left as long as there is a left child. The stopping point is the smallest element

```
template <class Comparable>
BinaryNode<Comparable> *
BinarySearchTree<Comparable>::findMin( BinaryNode<Comparable> *t ) const
{
    if( t == NULL )
        return NULL;
    if( t->left == NULL )
        return t;
    return findMin( t->left );
}
```

• Time complexity = O(height of the tree)

### insert

- Proceed down the tree as you would with a find
- If X is found, do nothing (or update something)
- Otherwise, insert X at the last spot on the path traversed



Time complexity = O(height of the tree)

# delete

- When we delete a node, we need to consider how we take care of the children of the deleted node.
  - This has to be done such that the property of the search tree is maintained.

# delete

Three cases:

- (1) the node is a leaf
  - Delete it immediately
- (2) the node has one child
  - Adjust a pointer from the parent to bypass that node



Figure 4.24 Deletion of a node (4) with one child, before and after

# delete

(3) the node has 2 children

- replace the key of that node with the minimum element at the right subtree
- delete the minimum element
  - Has either no child or only right child because if it has a left child, that left child would be smaller and would have been chosen. So invoke case 1 or 2.



Figure 4.25 Deletion of a node (2) with two children, before and after

Time complexity = O(height of the tree)